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SUBJECT: MOVEMENT OF VIETNAMESE AND CAMBODIAN REFUGEES TO
THIRD COUNTRIES

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1. IN ADDITION TO THOSE ICEM MOVEMENTS REPORTED REFTEL,
MISSION HAS OBTAINED FOLLOWING TENTATIVE UNHCR REPORT ON
RESETTLEMENT CAMBODIANS AND VIETNAMESE REFUGEES AS OF
JULY 7, 1975.

A. AUSTRALIA: AGREED TO ACCEPT SOME CAMBODIANS AND
VIETNAMESE FROM SINGAPORE AND HONG KONG. MOVEMENT
208 FROM HONG KONG, 102 FROM USA.

B. AUSTRIA: AGREED TO ADMIT UP TO 200 CAMBODIANS
AND VIETNAMESE WITHIN DEFINED CATEGORIES. MOVEMENT 29
FROM THAILAND.

C. BELGIUM: MAY ACCEPT 50 CAMBODIANS AND VIETNAMESE AFTER
APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS MADE. HAS ACCEPTED 5 FROM HONG
KONG, 1 FROM THAILAND, 2 FROM USA.

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D. CANADA: AGREED TO ACCEPT UP TO 3,000 CAMBODIANS

AND VIETNAMESE IN ADDITION TO THOSE SPONSORED OR NOMINATED BY RELATIVES RESIDING IN CANADA. SO FAR HAS ACCEPTED 269 FROM HONG KONG, 300 FROM THAILAND, 2,457 FROM USA, 2 FROM BELGIUM.

E. DENMARK: AGREED TO ACCEPT UP TO 100 VIETNAMESE. SELECTED SOME 150 IN HONG KONG.

F. AGREED TO ACCEPT CAMBODIANS AND VIETNAMESE WHO HAD SERVED WITH THE FORMER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION AS CIVIL SERVANTS OR WHO WERE IN THE FRENCH ARMY IN THE SECOND WORLD WAR IN ADDITION TO THOSE HOLDING FRENCH ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS OR HAVING OTHER SPECIAL REASONS TO SETTLE IN FRANCE. HAS ACCEPTED 233 FROM HONG KONG, 24 FROM SINGAPORE, 540 FROM THAILAND, 24 FROM BURMA, 5 FROM PHILIPPINES, 3 FROM BELGIUM, 13 FROM IVORY COAST 8 FROM GUAM, 546 FROM USA, 2 FAMILIES FROM ARGENTINA. A TOTAL OF 5,000 VISAS GRANTED BUT NO FURTHER DETAILS.

G. GERMANY: GOVERNMENT WILL ADMIT FAMILIES OF VIETNAMESE STUDENTS RESIDENT IN GERMANY. HAS ACCEPTED ONE PERSON FROM HONG KONG, 3 FROM USA.

H. ITALY: AGREED TO ACCEPT UP TO 400 CAMBODIANS AND VIETNAMESE OF THOSE CURRENTLY RESIDING IN ITALY. IN ADDITION WOULD CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FROM PERSONS WITH ITALIAN RELATIVES OR OTHER PARTICULAR TIES WITH ITALY. IT HAS ACCEPTED 8 FROM THAILAND, 8 FROM USA.

I. IRAN. WOULD ACCEPT UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF SKILLED CAMBODIANS AND VIETNAMESE. HAS ACCEPTED 3 FROM USA. SELECTION MISSION REPORTEDLY GOING TO GUAM.

J. KOREA: PREPARED TO ACCEPT IN ADDITION TO PERSONS RESIDING IN KOREA OTHERS BEING SPONSORED BY RELATIVES IN THE COUNTRY. HAS SETTLED LOCALLY 356. HAS ACCEPTED 3 FROM USA.

K. NEW ZEALAND: AGREED TO ACCEPT 50 VIETNAMESE
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FAMILIES WITH A VIEW TO INTEGRATION. HAS ACCEPTED 3 FROM USA, ONE FROM THAILAND, ONE FROM HONG KONG.

L. NORWAY: HAVE ACCEPTED 83 VIETNAMESE FROM NORWEGIAN SHIP IN THAILAND.

M. SWEDEN: ACCEPTED 22 VIETNAMESE PICKED UP BY SWEDISH SHIP.

N. SWITZERLAND: AGREED TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS
FROM CAMBODIANS AND VIETNAMESE RESIDENTS IN SWITZERLAND
OR FROM PERSONS WITH CLOSE TIES TO SWISS RESIDENTS. HAS
ACCEPTED ONE FROM HONG KONG.

O. UK (INCL. HONG KONG): AGREED TO CONSIDER
APPLICATIONS FROM CAMBODIANS AND VIETNAMESE WITH
PREVIOUS CONNECTION WITH THE UK. HAS ACCEPTED 25
FROM USA.

P. MOVEMENTS TO OTHER COUNTRIES NOT INCLUDED IN THE
ORIGINAL HIGH COMMISSIONER'S APPEAL ARE AS FOLLOWS:

MALAYSIA: 1,208 FROM THAILAND

NEW CALEDONIA: 3 FROM PHILIPPINES

SPAIN: 2 FROM USA

SINGAPORE: 11 FROM USA

PHILIPPINES: 65 FROM USA

THAILAND: 10 FROM USA

BAHRAIN: 2 FROM USA

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